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SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MONTANA HORSE RACING COMMISSION

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, TIM BABCOCK,
GOVERNOR OF MONTANA:

Pursuant to and in compliance with the requirements and provisions of House Bill No. 489, the same being Chapter 196, Laws of Montana 1965, the Montana Horse Racing Commission submits its annual report for the period commencing on January 1, 1966, to and including December 31, 1966.

The following racing dates were granted and licenses issued to racing persons by the Commission for the 1966 Racing Season which comprised a total of Sixty-two (62) racing days and resulted in a total Mutuel Handle of \$1,214,927.00, an increase of 14.62% over the year of 1965.

NAME	DATES
Cow Capital Turf Club, Inc., Miles City	May 8, 15, 21, 22, 29, 30.
United Racing Association, Belgrade	June 5, 12, 19, 26, July 3, 4, 10, 17.
North Central Racing Association, Fort Benton .	June 25, 26, July 3, 4, 10.
Marias Fair, Shelby	July 21, 22, 23, 24.
State Fair, Great Falls	July 31, Aug. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.
Midland Empire State Fair, Billings	August 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.
Northeast Montana Fair, Glasgow	August 11, 12, 13.
Rosebud County Fair, Forsyth	August 15, 16, 17.
Northwest Montana Fair, Kalispell	August 18, 19, 20, 21.
Tri County Fair, Deer Lodge	August 20, 21.
Fallon County Fair, Baker	August 20, 21.
Missoula County Fair, Missoula	August 24, 25, 26, 27.
Dawson County Fair, Glendive	August 26, 27.
Chouteau County Fair, Fort Benton	August 27, 28.
Ravalli County Fair, Hamilton	September 1, 2, 3.

A total of 694 persons were employed by Racing Associations. The sum of \$129,118.95 was paid in purses to horsemen and \$2,821.50 in Breeder Awards. Many Owners, Trainers and employees bring their families into Montana during the racing season. A large percentage of the money paid to horsemen is retained in Montana, for payment of transportation, lodging and food, and largest of all is the money spent by everyone who derives his income from racing in simple purchases which he must make every day. Besides creating additional revenue, racing has brought increased employment in the State, thus stimulating the economy of Montana.

A total of 1250 licenses were issued to persons connected with racing, 15 track licenses and 391 color registrations yielding a total of \$6,601.00. Before such persons were issued licenses they were thoroughly screened to the extent

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of facilities available. Twelve persons were fined, and five persons were suspended for violation of the law, or rules and regulations set forth by the Commission. The following licenses were issued:

LICENSES:

Owners	264	\$1,320.00	
Trainers	56	280.00	
Owner-Trainer	174	1,740.00	
Jockeys	57	285.00	
Jockey Agents	1	10.00	
Apprentice Jockeys	6	30.00	
Officials	94	521.00	
Occupational	592	1,483.00	
Stable Name	6	150.00	
Track	15	none	\$5,819.00
Registration of Colors	391		782.00
Total revenue from licenses and registration fees			<u>\$6,601.00</u>

During the past year, in connection with the continuing assistance, the Montana Livestock Sanitary Board Diagnostic Laboratory of Bozeman, made their services available to test all specimens collected from race horses. This service aided immeasurably in maintaining the high standard of racing in Montana. A total of 479 specimens were tested resulting in revenue of \$3,113.50 to the Livestock Sanitary Board Revenue Fund.

The Commission is pleased to report that Mr. Virgil Wilson, chemist of the Livestock Sanitary Board Diagnostic Laboratory, has been accepted into the membership of the Association of Official Racing Chemists. Such membership reflects Mr. Wilson's ability and has direct influence on the quality of testing specimens collected from race horses. The Commission commends Mr. Wilson and his assistant, Mr. Dallas Johnson, for the efforts they have provided in upgrading the racing industry in Montana.

The construction of a mile race track is underway at Missoula; also, plans have been made for a new track at West Yellowstone. Upon completion of these racing sites it is estimated racing will increase to approximately 130 days.

The Commission subscribes to the weekly bulletin service of the National Association of State Racing Commissioners. These bulletins contain changes in rules, rulings on violations by racing personnel, claims of horses and other pertinent information. The Commission also subscribes to the Daily Racing Form Chart books and American Racing Manual, published by the Triangle Publications, Inc. This service has been of great value to the administration of racing in this State.

The Commission has given careful attention to the business of horse racing and has found there is a great need for qualified racing officials. On April 17, 1966, the Commission sponsored the first racing seminar, at Lewistown, Montana. This was well attended. The purpose of the program was to better acquaint the racing officials, track operators and others interested in horse racing with the law, rules, regulations and racing in general. It proved to be a worthy program, and the Commission plans to sponsor another seminar in 1967.



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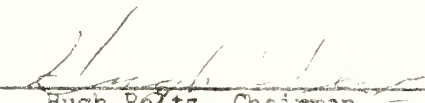
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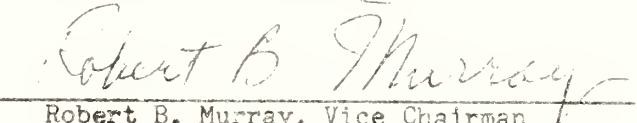
It is with extreme pleasure that we, the members of the Commission, extend our most sincere thanks and appreciation to His Excellency Governor Tim Babcock for his kind and patient cooperation and help.

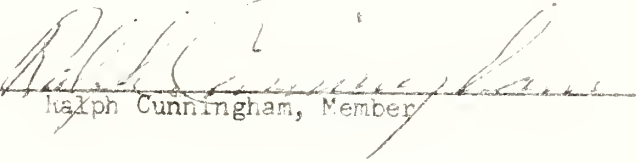
The Commission acknowledges with gratitude the assistance and cooperation of the Attorney General, the State Auditor, the State Treasurer, the Montana Veterinary Medical Association, the Livestock Sanitary Board, the Livestock Commission and other Public Officials, as well as various Racing Persons, the Press and the Public.

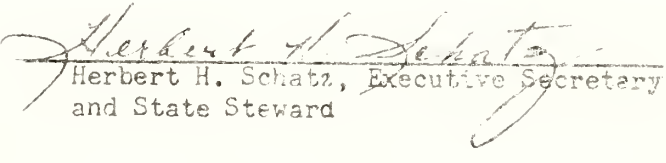
It is with sincere feeling of satisfaction that the Racing Commission, being fully cognizant of the broad and demanding obligation of the trust reposed in it's supervision of racing in Montana, submits to you this Annual Report. We, who serve as your Commission, governing and regulating horse racing in Montana, realize there must be no lowering of the high standards which make racing the appealing and attractive sport it is.

Respectfully submitted,


Hugh Peltz, Chairman


Robert B. Murray, Vice Chairman


Ralph Cunningham, Member


Herbert H. Schatz, Executive Secretary
and State Steward

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Track Mutuel Commission	State Mutuel Tax	Track Mutuel Breakage	Returned To Public	Percentage To Public
\$ 6,261.10	\$150.00	\$ 463.00	\$ 24,513.90	78.10%
21,303.60	355.55	1,710.20	83,109.30	78.02
8,320.60	125.00	229.40	31,625.40	79.17
12,125.20	Fair	1,005.50	47,308.15	78.03
91,668.80	Fair	4,991.75	361,143.90	78.79
68,441.20	Fair	3,881.10	269,883.70	78.87
2,579.00	Fair	51.25	10,031.75	79.23
1,136.40	Fair	84.00	4,461.60	78.52
7,851.20	Fair	787.30	30,453.30	77.58
1,386.80	Fair	41.40	5,358.90	79.44
14,423.60	Fair	937.10	56,072.80	77.75
1,591.00	Fair	67.40	6,245.00	79.70
422.40	Fair	none	1,689.60	80.00
1,359.00	Fair	41.60	5,454.00	80.03
4,535.60	Fair	338.10	17,651.20	77.82
\$243,405.50	\$630.55	\$14,629.10	\$955,002.50	78.61%

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Annual Pari-Mutuel Report
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<u>Track</u>	<u>Days of Racing</u>	<u>Pari-Mutuel Handle</u>	<u>Daily Average Handle</u>	<u>Track Mutuel Commission</u>	<u>State Mutuel Tax</u>	<u>Track Mutuel Breakage</u>	<u>Returned To Public</u>	<u>Percentage To Public</u>
Miles City	6	\$ 31,388.00	\$ 5,231.33	\$ 6,261.10	\$150.00	\$ 463.00	\$ 24,513.90	78.10%
Belgrade	8	106,518.00	13,314.75	21,303.60	355.55	1,710.20	83,109.30	78.02
Fort Benton	5	39,946.00	7,989.20	8,320.60	125.00	229.40	31,625.40	79.17
Shelby	4	60,630.00	15,157.50	12,125.20	Fair	1,005.50	47,308.15	78.03
Great Falls	7	458,344.00	65,477.71	91,668.80	Fair	4,991.75	361,143.90	78.79
Billings	7	342,206.00	48,886.57	68,441.20	Fair	3,881.10	269,883.70	78.87
Glasgow	3	12,662.00	4,220.66	2,579.00	Fair	51.25	10,031.75	79.23
Forsyth	3	5,682.00	1,894.00	1,136.40	Fair	84.00	4,461.60	78.52
Kalispell	4	39,256.00	9,814.00	7,851.20	Fair	787.30	30,453.30	77.58
Deer Lodge	2	6,746.00	3,373.00	1,386.80	Fair	41.40	5,358.90	79.44
Missoula	4	72,118.00	18,029.50	14,423.60	Fair	937.10	56,072.80	77.75
Fort Benton	2	7,836.00	3,918.00	1,591.00	Fair	67.40	6,245.00	79.70
Baker	2	2,112.00	1,056.00	422.40	Fair	none	1,689.60	80.00
Glendive	2	6,800.00	3,400.00	1,359.00	Fair	41.60	5,454.00	80.03
Hamilton	3	22,683.00	7,561.00	4,535.60	Fair	338.10	17,651.20	77.82
TOTAL	62	\$1,214,927.00	\$19,595.60	\$213,405.50	\$630.55	\$14,629.10	\$955,002.50	78.61%

MONTANA HORSE RACING COMMISSION

COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL POSITION
December 31, 1965 and 1966

EXHIBIT A

	December 31		Increase (Decrease)
	1966	1965	
<u>ASSETS:</u>			
Cash in Bank	\$ 870.16	\$ 2,468.29	\$ (1,598.13)
Underpayments Receivable	394.90	---	394.90
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,265.06</u>	<u>\$ 2,468.29</u>	<u>\$ (1,203.23)</u>
<u>LIABILITIES:</u>			
Estimated Accounts Payable (December):			
Communication	\$ 40.00	\$ 193.13	
Travel	50.00	140.33	
Other	---	7.00	
Total Accounts Payable	\$ 90.00	\$ 340.46	\$ (250.46)
Accrued Salary Payable	600.00	560.00	40.00
Payroll Taxes Payable	62.64	88.28	(25.64)
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 752.64</u>	<u>\$ 988.74</u>	<u>\$ (236.10)</u>
<u>UNENCUMBERED BALANCE:</u>			
Balance - January 1	\$ 1,479.55	\$ ---	\$ 1,479.55
Add: Net Income (Loss) - Exhibit B	(967.13)	1,479.55	(2,446.68)
UNENCUMBERED BALANCE -			
December 31	\$ 512.42	\$ 1,479.55	\$ (967.13)
TOTAL LIABILITIES and			
UNENCUMBERED BALANCE	<u>\$ 1,265.06</u>	<u>\$ 2,468.29</u>	<u>\$ (1,203.23)</u>

MONTANA HORSE RACING COMMISSION

COMPARATIVE CASH SUMMARY For the Calendar Years 1965 and 1966

EXHIBIT C

	Year		Increase (Decrease)
	<u>1966</u>	<u>1965</u>	
Cash Balance - January 1	\$ <u>2,468.29</u>	\$ <u>-----</u>	\$ <u>2,468.29</u>
<u>Cash Receipts:</u>			
Track Assessments	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ (100.00)
License Fees (Less Refunds)	6,587.00	6,493.00	94.00
Rule Books	137.00	.--	137.00
Underpayments	760.15	.--	760.15
Fines	165.00	65.00	100.00
Totalizer Co. Fee	<u>70.00</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>70.00</u>
Total Cash Received	\$ <u>11,419.15</u>	\$ <u>10,358.00</u>	\$ <u>1,061.15</u>
Total Cash Available	\$ <u>13,887.44</u>	\$ <u>10,358.00</u>	\$ <u>3,529.44</u>
<u>Cash Disbursements:</u>			
Salary - Executive Secretary	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,440.00	\$ 2,560.00
Employer Payroll Costs	552.08	284.46	267.62
Communication	614.36	225.31	389.05
Travel	3,022.82	2,876.15	146.67
Supplies, Rule Books, Printing, Etc.	1,425.48	51.30	1,374.18
Rental	10.00	10.00	.--
Subscriptions	260.00	.--	260.00
Auditing	75.00	.--	75.00
Commission Bond	7.54	2.49	5.05
Contract Services	<u>50.00</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>50.00</u>
Total Cash Disbursed	\$ <u>13,017.28</u>	\$ <u>7,889.71</u>	\$ <u>5,127.57</u>
Cash Balance - December 31	\$ <u>870.16</u>	\$ <u>2,468.29</u>	\$ <u>(1,598.13)</u>





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